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# The Gleichen Call.

Devoted to the Up-Building of Gleichen and the Development of the District Generally

WITHOUT  
IRRIGATION  
—THE—  
Gleichen  
District  
HAD  
Highest  
Average Yield  
—OF—  
Wheat & Oats  
—IN—  
Sunny Alberta  
In 1906  
ACCORDING TO  
GOVERNMENT  
STATISTICS

Year II., No. 37.

GLEICHEN, ALBERTA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1908.

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## NOT FARMING BUT JUST MINING WHEAT

The Scottish Agricultural Commissioners, who visited Canada, and it will be remembered spent some time in Gleichen, have prepared a report of their tour and express themselves as being much impressed with all they saw.

A preliminary statement which is all that is available at present, sets out a few of the conclusions reached. One of the first things noted is the tendency to specialization in Canadian farming. The mixed farmer of the five western provinces, where water is plentiful and heavy crops of roots, hay and corn for ensilage can be easily grown, is commonly turning himself into a dairy man. The establishment of great numbers of creameries and cheese factories throughout Eastern Canada has made this industry one of the safest and most profitable; and the increase of cattle, with the gradual adoption of modern systems of crop rotation, has its natural effect in maintaining that soil fertility which was in danger under the old methods. Dairying involves hard work, a large part of which continues through the winter; and the eastern farmer's up-building makes him an ideal pioneer in western life.

The profitable nature of prairie wheat farming impressed itself on the commissioners, though the industry itself is humorously described by one of them as "not farming, but just wheat mining." The area still available for this staple and useful form of cultivation is enormous, extending far beyond the limits of what used to be known as the "wheat belt". Except in favored localities where the alluvium is particularly deep, the method of cultivation cannot be maintained for many years in its present simplicity without exhausting the soil, just as much of the soil has already been exhausted in similar regions in the United States. Some of the western farmers are going in for summer fallow, and a certain number not only understand but practice rotation of crops. Many, on the other hand, are inclined to let the future take care of itself. The meagreness of the rainfall in the southwestern section of the prairie was naturally the subject of searching inquiries by the commissioners. Several large irrigation areas were visited in Southern Alberta, and it appears certain that with the development of mixed farming the great advantages of irrigation will be appreciated at their full value. The breaking up of the great cattle ranches proceeds apace. On one ranch visited by the commissioners chiefly concerned, practically the whole herd had just been sold to a dealer for about \$22.50 a head. The yearlings and about forty Hereford cows were being saved from the general doom, but many of the remainder seemed far too good to be slaughtered in this wholesale fashion. There are considerable dry areas which might well be retained for cattle ranching; but with homesteaders eager to settle even in doubtful districts the industry cannot survive on a large scale. The abolition of big ranches, however, is being accompanied by an actual increase in the number of cattle in the great ranching provinces. Nearly every settler, though devoted to wheat growing, has his milch cows or work oxen or both, and the small ranchers holding no more cattle than they can provide supplementary forage for in a bad season, find it possible to remain in the business, especially among the foothills of the Rocky Mountains where a certain amount of "free range" is likely to be available for a long time yet. A great development of the meat-packing industry in the west is one of the chief desiderata of the Albian cattle trade. In this connection the vexed question

of the exclusion of live Canadian cattle from the United Kingdom has naturally come before the commissioners, most of whom consider that the embargo should be removed, and lay stress on the freedom of Canada from cattle disease.

Horse breeding is recognized as an industry bringing handsome profits in the west. "There is a fortune in it," as one commissioner remarks, "especially for a man who takes advantage of the present stage of western development." There is a great demand among the new settlers for good work horses, and at the price of \$200, which is given for an animal of reasonable weight, there should be a profit of \$100 for the breeder. Horses are much easier to raise than cattle, and yield a better financial return. Heavier mares are wanted than are now commonly used.

## To Electors of Medicine Hat Riding

Lethbridge, Alta. Nov. 26, 1908.

To the Electors of Medicine Hat Riding:

Owing to the immensity of this Riding you will readily realize the difficulty which I, as your representative at Ottawa, will have in keeping in close touch with each section of the district.

Within the past few weeks I have given this matter some thought and the best solution, apparently, is for me to take advantage in the rural sections of the School Districts.

There are two subjects common to the entire Riding which should have close attention, namely:

(1) Railway development.

(2) Improved mail facilities.

In order to successfully press our claims for railway extension it is necessary for me to be able to place my finger on each particular locality on a map and give correct information as to what development is taking place there and the possibility of further development under proper transportation facilities.

The campaign through which I have passed has given me a general knowledge but what I need is specific information from each locality. I would, therefore, be obliged if the secretary-treasurer in each school district would call a public meeting of the electors for an early date. This, I presume, can be done by a notice posted in the post office.

I still insist that I am in this political business for the people and to be able to work with some effect I need the fullest information as to the capabilities of each locality. Any secretary-treasurer who would like some idea as to the character of information which should be supplied and will drop me a post card I will gladly communicate with him on the subject.

I take this opportunity of publicly thanking my friends for their generous efforts resulting in my election last month and I trust, when the time arrives for me to retire from public life, be the time short or long, that they, as well as the public in general, will have reason to feel that I served them well and faithfully.

Yours very truly  
C. A. MAGRATH.

## Gleichen Grain Market

Following are the prices quoted today in Gleichen:

1 Red	76	1 Str.	77
2 "	73	2 "	74
3 "	70	3 "	71
4 "	64	4 "	67
5 "	58	5 "	61
1 Red	65	1 Red	71
2 "	61	2 "	67
3 "	58	3 "	63
4 "	55	4 "	60
5 "	51	5 "	56
1 Red	51	1 Red	56
2 "	48	2 "	53
3 "	45	3 "	50
4 "	42	4 "	47
5 "	39	5 "	44

## GLEICHEN FARMER GIVES ONLY RESULTS

LETTER NO. I.

Gleichen, Alta. Nov. 27, 1908.  
Editor Gleichen Call,

Dear Sir:—I take the liberty of handing you this statement of the results we have obtained as farmers in this district.

I am not writing this to entertain or please or displease anyone, but am giving results pure and simple.

In my judgment our yields have been good, not extra for this country, as I am satisfied we can still do better in the future.

On one tract of 91 acres we had a yield of 56 bushels of oats. Part of this was on this spring's breaking, sown May 29, and the balance was on land broken in the spring of 1907 and cropped the same year. This year we sowed on stubble and obtained a very good yield considering the cost, etc.

A tract of 27 acres yielded 69 1/2 bu. this was on sod.

On 25 acres of Alberta Red we obtained a yield of 39 1/2 bu.

Ten acres of spring wheat went 33 bu.

Another tract of 48 acres yielded 30 bushels.

On a 17-acre field we thrashed 31 bu. to the acre.

My opinion is that after we subdue the normal vegetation, and get to farming other land we can raise the yields, and harvest a good deal earlier than we

Now, just a word to the homesteeker. We will take our yield of Alberta Red and the elevator price of 77 cts. per bu., makes a gross receipt of \$30.30 or a net of \$17.85. Pretty good, I say, on \$15.00 land; and the next crop will be less expensive as the sod is now broken.

Where can you go and invest your money to a better advantage than at Gleichen? Where can you go and find a country where you can produce a crop easier and with as little expense as at Gleichen?

Where can you go and buy land and a home from a fairer company than the C. P. R.?

I am not an agent for the C. P. R. or any other company having land for sale. Neither have I any for sale, but am just writing what I believe.

Yours very truly,  
N. N. HAYES.

## Gleichen School Report

Standard VI—Olga Ostrander, Hazel McPhee.

Standard V—Emma Jones, Isabel Gooderham, Fember Ostrander, Jimmie McBean.

Standard IV—Keith Pinder, Joe Marshall, Edith Jones, May McClellan, Mamie Barber, Ken McPhee, Willie Service, Marlon Campbell, Margaret Wishart, Duncan McBean.

Standard III—Clarence Evans, Alex. Buckley, Lulu Barber, Jean Gooderham, Ruth Buckley, Florence Telford, Eric Dickinson, Leda Service, Walter James, Esther Wishart, Rod Gooderham.

A. D. MacDonald, teacher.

Standard II Sr.—Ethel Telford, Grace McPhee, Lucy Marshall, Cora Campbell, Mable Telford, Florence Wishart, Douglas James, Victor Beattie.

Standard II Jr.—Rupert Hunter, Johnny McBean, Ada Stiel.

Standard I Sr.—Jimmie Service, Mellick Naylor, Frank Cosgrave, Johnny Naylor.

Standard I Jr.—Bessie Telford, Isaac Allen, Duncan Campbell, Austin Allen, Primer, Class III—Charlie Jones, Jamie Telford, Lottie Rodbourne, Rosie Service, Max Jones, Harry Landels, Nellie Gray.

Class II—Fred Barber, Flake Barber, Nora Cosgrave, Mary Hulop, Mollie Cosgrave, Reginald Snowden, Romeo Robson.

Class I—Olga Kirstein, Elwin Service.

Class I—Mary Ravey, Della Ravey.

Miss M. E. Tingley, teacher.

## Schuberts Gave Good Show

The Schubert Symphony Club gave Gleichen the best entertainment ever staged in this town on Wednesday evening, and we have yet to hear of anyone who was not well satisfied with the performance. It was a good, clean, high-classed entertainment, that would be considered excellent in any of the larger towns or cities. The attendance was one of the largest ever seen in the Forester's hall and although at first some thought the admission price too high for anything in Gleichen, when it was over the only complaint made was that the club did not arrange to show a second night. The lady quartette was superb and each member an artist in the fullest sense. Thomas Purcell is a young man scarcely 21 years of age and yet proved a wonder with the violin and mandolin. When the Schuberts come this way again they may count on a warm reception and it is pleasing to know that the club stated they were well satisfied with Gleichen from a financial point of view.

See Yates window of Japanese china were this week.

The young ladies of Gleichen have decided to give a Leap Year Ball in the Forester's Hall to-morrow evening—

one of the social events of the season and the gentleman who fails to be invited by one of the ladies may, indeed, count himself unlucky. However, the ladies are requesting each lady in the town and district to bring along their best beans and hope that none will be overlooked.

E. Uch has added another addition to his pool rooms to meet the growing demands of his business.

Winkle & Firth opened their new store last week in the Larkin Block and their fine display is attracting attention.

The People's Bakery is the very newest enterprise. Hunt up their announcement.

R. Allen has resigned as foreman at the Two Bar ranch and moved his family to Gleichen to reside.

A bargain in 1/4 section irrigated land near Gleichen with 100 acres broken, 80 acres of which have been cropped 2 years. All fenced, price \$35 per acre. For particulars apply to H. M. McKie, Real Estate, office in the Call Block, Gleichen.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Small Ads under this heading cost 50 cents for first insertion and \$1 per month when more than one item is included an additional charge is made. Unless the number of issues are given with each order ads are left in until ordered out and charged for in full.

FOR SALE—A few yearling lions, Barred and White Rocks, good layers that I will sell at \$9 per dozen. T. W. Snowden, Willow Grove. 11-26

FOR SALE—I have closed a deal whereby I can sell 320 acres, war grant, \$1.65 per acre. Choose your land and write quickly. Captain Cooper, Box 412, Calgary, Alberta.

FOR SALE—Barred Rock Cockerels \$2. Mammoth Bronze Turkeys, young toms \$5. Pullets \$3. All these birds guaranteed pure bred. If not satisfactory may be returned. M. S. Gibson, Blue Spring Ranch. 11-26

FOR SALE—Two coyote hounds (dogs) fifteen months old. Good killers and one very fast. Will sell singly or together. Apply to J. F. Go-tigan, 13 miles north of Gleichen on C. P. Irrigation Survey.

FOR SALE—Windmill and pump in good working order. Apply, E. G. Ward, Gleichen. 11-19

STRAYED—From C. P. R. engineering camp 10 miles east of Gleichen, one yellow and white setter dog, one year old. Anyone finding same will be rewarded by returning to J. Duff, Gleichen, Alta.

Miss C. McArthur is prepared to take a few pupils for instruction in music. Apply to her at the Gleichen Hotel.

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## THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO ESTABLISHED 1867

B. E. WALKER, President  
ALEX. LAIRD, General Manager

Paid-up Capital, \$10,000,000  
Reserve Fund, - 5,000,000


Branches throughout Canada, and in the United States and England

COUNTRY BUSINESS Every facility afforded to farmers and others for the transaction of their banking business. Sales notes will be cashed or taken for collection.

BANKING BY MAIL Accounts may be opened by mail, and monies deposited or withdrawn in this way with equal facility.

GLEICHEN BRANCH, W. R. McKIE, Manager

TWO STORES



TWO STORES

Santa's Headquarters this Year is at A. R. YATES

Our stock of Christmas Goods is so large in both the Drug Store and in the building recently occupied by N. Mathieson, Barber.

Our goods are now on view in both of these places and we invite you to see them.

You will find that they are the finest ever offered for sale in Gleichen.

Remember the TWO STORES.

Call and see them.

...A. R. YATES...  
The Post Office Drug Store

Most Complete Stock of  
Tailor-Made Clothing, Hats and Caps, Boots & Shoes



Tailor-Made Clothing a Specialty,  
We carry a large range of Samples and our Styles are guaranteed to fit.  
TURNKS and VALISES.

**WE SELL**

**FURS**

F. H. BLACKBOURN, Gleichen, Alta.

The regular meetings of the Gleichen and District Board of Trade are held on the second Tuesday in each month.

The ferry on the Bow river near the South Camp started running last week.

It took a long time to get here but the official report makes C. A. Magrath's majority 352.

Since Sunday the weather has been clear and cold, but Old Sol is now making it pleasant again.



**DR. G. H. FARQUHARSON**

Physician  
and  
Surgeon.....

GLEICHEN, ALBERTA

PIANO, ORGAN  
VIOLIN

**Miss J. G. Fraser**

(Certificated by Royal Academy  
of Music, London Eng.)

Gives lessons on the above  
instruments and Theory of  
Music.

I desire to notify the public  
that I am prepared to handle

## Real Estate

Any one having property to  
dispose of will find it to their  
advantage to communicate  
with me. Also

Fire Life and Accident

## Insurance

In these lines I am acting only for the  
very best and most reliable companies  
and will be pleased to have any person  
call and allow me to show them the ad-  
vantages of insurance.

Am also in a position to do anything  
in the line of

### Commission Work

Agreements drawn up.

Guarantee promptness and best possible  
results.

**H. M. McKIE**

Office in Call Block  
GLEICHEN, - ALBERTA

**GEO. MOSS**

Bricklayer  
and  
Plasterer..

Repairs promptly attended to

Estimates Furnished.

Gleichen, - ' Alberta

### LAST CHANCE RANCH

T. P. McHUGH, Proprietor,  
QUEENSTOWN.



"BELLADOR" No. 20546.

Colts of 1904 T on left shoulder.

Vent for above L on left hip.

\* Cattle Brand: 101 on left hip or left  
ribs.

Calves of 1903: 101 on left hip and bar  
on ribs.

Also owners of Horses branded JJ on  
left shoulder.

Heavy Draft Horses for  
Sale.

GLEICHEN, ALBERTA.

**H. J. ROBIE**

Calgary's Leading  
Merchant Tailor,

3 Doors East of Royal Hotel

## THE GLEICHEN CALL

Published Every Thursday in the heart of a Wonderfully Rich Ranching and  
Farming District.

Subscription, \$1.50 a Year; Foreign countries, \$2.00.  
Exchange must be added on checks.

Legal Advertising 12 cents a line for first insertion and 8 cents a line for each subsequent inser-  
tion—12 lines to the inch. Locals 10 cents a line. Lost, Found, A stray and Want adver-  
tisements 50 cents one insertion or three insertions for \$1. Display ads. \$1 per column inch  
per month. Changes should reach this office not later than noon each Monday.

W. PARK EVANS,

Publisher and Proprietor.

Gleichen, Alberta, December 3, 1908.

Teddy Roosevelt has decided to take  
a job at \$25,000 a year on the New York  
Outlook. Teddy should tell some pretty  
big bear yarns for that amount.

Although The Call prints more and  
more papers each week it seems quite  
impossible to estimate the demand and  
we will deem it a favor if those wanting  
extra copies will inform us ahead of time  
whenever possible.

The Clark coal mines at Crowfoot will  
soon be marketing coal and it is graded  
a better quality than the Lethbridge  
coal. These mines will be worked con-  
tinuously from now on and being close  
to the railway track we may expect that  
in a short time coal mining will be one  
of our chief industries.

A vote on local option was lost at  
Clareholm last week, the people of that  
town deciding they preferred to take  
their liquid refreshments across the  
mahogany for some time yet. It was  
the first vote taken in Alberta on local  
option and was bitterly contested.

C. A. Magrath is certainly starting out  
well as the representative of this riding  
in the Dominion House. The politicians  
are mighty few who get around within a  
month after election to see what they  
can do for their electors. Mr. Magrath  
has done this and is entitled to no little  
consideration for so doing.

The Call made an error last issue in  
stating L. A. Moore raised 600 bushels  
of onions on three square rods of land.  
Mr. Moore states that on four rods long  
and one rod wide he grew 600 pounds of  
onion, of which 500 pounds were fine big  
marketable onions and the other 100  
pounds were good but small onions that  
he is keeping for his own use. The mis-  
take is regretted but the yield is still one

And now they have made a knight of  
a Canadian newspaper man, Hugh Gra-  
ham, of the Montreal Star. Now, isn't  
that taking some liberty with the press,  
and isn't it likely to drive many a quill-  
pusher out of business? Most of them  
have troubles enough of their own with-  
out packing around titles. Just think  
of it? Sir Bob Edwards or Sir Dan  
McGillivuddy or Sir Dunc Marshall or  
Sir Bob Lowery. May a kind providence  
spare the agony.

The C. P. R. has given it out that they  
estimate that within a very few years  
the total population in the irrigation  
block, of which Gleichen is the centre,  
will be 150,000, which is almost as great  
as the population of Alberta at the pre-  
sent time. Having proved beyond a  
doubt the great wealth of the district,  
the C. P. R. has started in for a most  
aggressive campaign for the coming year.  
With "the crop payment plan" the com-  
pany seems to be armed to meet every  
person it meets with an unanswerable  
argument.

The real good parson is healthy, cheer-  
ful and broadminded, and saving souls  
is to him like fishing to a disciple of the  
Walton's. He does the work through  
love, and not for the salary that go with  
the business of hammering a pulpit to a  
solemn and emphatic finish. The suc-  
cere, eloquent and non-commercial pul-  
pit pounder lifts up the multitude by his  
enthusiasm and directs its attention  
from the musty condition of canned  
theology. All preachers should be am-  
ateurs, for the professional usually thinks  
more about dollars than souls. The  
above from the Greenwood Ledge may  
not be considered very reverential but it  
contains a good deal of truth. Gleichen,  
however, may by it be considered for-  
tunate as any one of our parsons could  
probably earn all the three get at some  
other vocation, and none of them are  
afraid to work hard week days.

We are heirs of the past, both its good  
and its ill.

Nature punishes most sins, but blas-  
phemy, sacrilege and heresy are things  
that nature does not provide any punish-  
ment for; therefore man has to look  
after these things himself.

See Yates' big line of Xmas cards.

Most of the really great men in Amer-  
ica have warmed their bare feet frost  
mornings where the cows have lain  
down.

What Adam missed. A picture of  
Adam has been sold in France for \$58,-  
000. Poor Adam! If he had lived till  
now and gotten the price of the picture  
he probably wouldn't have tasted the  
apple. Nothing cheaper than oranges.

Burnt wood outfits at Post Office Drug  
Store.

The Call is now prepared to supply  
all sizes and rulings for loose leaf ledg-  
ers to fit any bindings at Toronto or  
Montreal prices.

For the convenience of their clients in  
and surrounding Gleichen, Messrs.  
Short, Ross & Selwood, barristers, of  
Calgary, have decided to open a branch  
of their law office at Gleichen, where  
one member of their firm can be con-  
sulted on Tuesday afternoon and Wed-  
nesday morning of each week.

**JAS.**

**KNUDSON,**

Is prepared to take contracts or

Well Drilling

Address:

JAS. KNUDSON,  
GLEICHEN, ALTA.

## Watch Repairing

I am prepared to have your  
Watches, Clocks or Jewellery  
repaired by the best experts  
in the West.

A. G. G. HAMAR,  
Post Office, Gleichen

**J. W. TODD**

## Teacher of Music

Pupils taken for Pianoforte  
and Organ.

Lessons given in Theory, Etc  
Terms on application.

**The Dorothy Store**

—AT THE—

**Red Deer River Ferry**

A full assortment of general  
Merchandise.

Terms Positively Cash.

**J. P. McBEATH**

Commissioner for taking Affidavits.

Dorothy, - Alberta

# THE GLEICHEN Hotel

Open Day and Night

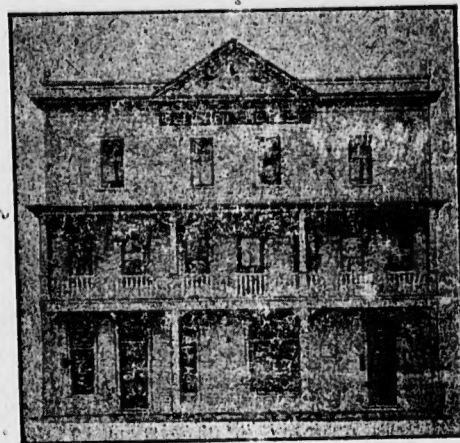
Well Ventilated

Lit by Pitner Light

Hot Air Furnace

Hot and Cold Baths

Best Brands of  
Wines, Liquors  
and Cigars



Every Comfort  
for the  
General Public

Directly Opposite  
the Station

Special attention  
paid to  
The Cuisine

Sample Rooms in Connection.

Porter Meets Every Train.

**D. GILLESPIE, Proprietor.**

**GLEICHEN, - - ALTA.**

## Don't Miss Your Shot

by using poor ammunition.

Duck shooting season is here and we want to call your attention our  
stock of ammunition.

We have first-class Shells loaded with Smokeless Powder,  
10, 12 and 16 gauge and Shot from 1 to 6.

All hunters will be welcome at our store and shooting will be fine at  
Eagle Lake and nearby sloughs.

A complete stock  
always on hand:

Groceries  
Provisions  
Harness,  
Hardware,  
Lumber, Etc.

## The New Namaka Store

**MIKE BROWN, Proprietor**

NAMAKA, - - ALBERTA.



## Several

## Choice Farms for Sale

All within

Five Miles of the C. P. R. Main Line

Any one wanting to  
buy a farm could not  
do better than to

—Call and see—

J. L. LAYCOCK

Real Estate and Insurance,  
GLEICHEN

## W. S. COSGRAVE

General Hardware  
Paints and Oils.....

Agents for Sherwin-Williams paints.

W. S. COSGRAVE, - GLEICHEN.

## The Pioneer Butchers

Wholesale and Retail

Dealers in

Fresh and Salt Meats, Fish and Poultry  
Game in Season

Families, Hotels, Contractors, Surveyors, Etc., Supplied

## PURE MILK

Delivered Fresh every day to any part of the town in  
large or small quantities.

Millie &  
Kinninmouth

Proprietors, Gleichen, Alta.

## Lumber

When ever you intend to erect any  
Buildings Call on

## W. STUART &amp; CO.

For Lumber, Lath, Shingles,  
Lime, Doors and Windows.

Yard near Palace Hotel, Gleichen.

## Real Estate.

I Have Farms to Rent on Good Terms.  
I have Farms—Raw Prairie or Improved—For Sale.  
I am willing to Locate Strangers on Homesteads.  
I am willing to give All Information in regard to this country.  
Anyone desiring any of the above will do well by calling or writing to

me at QUEENSTOWN, Alberta,

F. E. ROBERTSON



## THE J.C. RANCH

Headquarters for

Clydesdales and Shorthorns

Young Sires always for Sale.

Also Work and Saddle Horses.

Call and inspect Stock or

Write for what you want.

Box 127, JOHN CLARK, Jr., Gleichen, Alta.

## PARIS CABBIES.

The War of Words That Comes When  
They Block Each Other.

There is no more entertaining way to spend an idle hour in Paris than to get into a taxicab and instruct the driver to go along some street where you will be reasonably sure to get into a jam or to bump against another cab. The charm of the experience is, of course, enhanced by your ignorance of what the cabbies say.

Should your driver merely graze the wheels of another cab he will turn on his seat and yell mellifluously at the other driver, who in turn will shout back an assortment of vowels. But the best is a quarrel between two cabbies obstructing each other's way. The conversation, translated as nearly literally as is safe, goes in this wise:

"Sacred name! Why do you?"  
"Holly blue! I do not!"  
"Stomach on the ground! You have the face of an ox!"

"Blue stomach! Are you in chains?"  
"A bas! Name of a dog!"  
"Mon Dieu! Name of a pig!"  
"Wow (or words to that effect)! Name of a name!"

"A thousand deaths! Name of a name of a name!"

Now you begin to expect some doings. While you have not fully understood, you are satisfied that nothing but pistols and knives will wipe out the insults.

Unfortunately about this time the jam is untangled and you are allowed to drive away, but the other driver yells after yours:

"Aha! You are a little piece of brown soap!"

It seems that this expression is the "fighting name" in Paris. Were it not that your cabby owes a duty to you and must convey you to your destination you know by his facial expression that he would climb down and get that other cabby and muss up the city with him.

He contents himself with turning about and making a face in the direction of his enemy and of going through the motion of spitting at him.

Then he says "Yooop!" to the horse, and the war is over.

## THATCHING.

The Ancient Art in the Low Countries  
and in England.

Once upon a time two amateur botanists were hunting bog mosses on Exmoor, on the confines of the land of Lorna Doone. About the hour of luncheon they found that their enthusiasm had led them far afield, a good hour and a half from the farmhouse which they had made their temporary headquarters. The only place which yielded promise of food was a shepherd's shack half a mile distant, so thither they went. That the shack, or, rather, its owner, a small, wiry, dark man with curly hair, could offer nothing better than brown bread, which was woefully "clit," or heavy, and raw onions is neither here nor there. The point was that the roof of the shack was artistically thatched with layers of plaited reeds.

"Feyther taught I th' way to do un," explained the shepherd, with an upward jerk of his thumb toward the roof. "An' his feyther taught 'im avore that, an' his feyther avore that, an' back an' back twill nobody can think."

"A hereditary art evidently," said one of the moss hunters to his companion. "But I never saw thatches like these outside of the Low Countries. Safe bet that this fellow is of Dutch descent." Then he said to the man of Devon, "And what is your name, may I ask?"

"Well," replied the shepherd, "most folk call I Van, but ma right name be Henry Van Torp. They do say that ma gurt-grandfeather were a-vittin' against England an' were took prisoner an' married a Devon girl an' settled 'ereabout"—he indicated the southward sweep of the moor—"but these be a lot of foolish tales to ma thinkin'."—Craftsman.

## A Town of Macs.

Scotsmen are remarkably successful as colonists. They are also very clanish. There are many prosperous settlements in Greater Britain where Caledonians largely predominate, but the names of these localities do not carry that fact on their face. Nobody, however, can be mistaken as to the prevailing nationality in "Macaville." This is a town in the Cobalt district of Nova Scotia. You will be perfectly safe in assuming anybody there thus: "I say, Mac."—London Chronicle.

## In the Depths of the Sea.

The quantity of light emitted by many minute deep sea animals is so great as to supply over definite areas of the sea bottom a sufficient illumination to render visible the colors of the animals themselves. Some cephalopods are furnished with apparatus which reflects the light from their phosphorescent bodies upon the sea bottom over which they float. This reflecting apparatus is spoken of as "an efficient bullseye lantern for use in hunting through the abyssal darkness."

## The Contrary.

"I dropped some money in the market today," announced Mr. Wyss at the dinner table.

"Again?" exclaimed Mrs. Wyss reproachfully.

"No," replied Mr. Wyss mournfully; "a loss."

## Objectively Considered.

Ruggles—What horsepower is your new automobile? Ramage—Two, I guess. That's the horsepower it took to haul it to the repair shop when it broke down on a country road the other day.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Sittings of the District  
Court of the District  
of Calgary

The Sittings of the District Court and the District Judge's Criminal Court of the District of Calgary during the year 1909 will be held at the places and on the dates given below for the trial of actions and the disposal of any civil business which may properly be brought before the said Court.

## CALGARY:

Commencing:  
Monday, January 25th  
Monday, February 22nd  
Monday, March 22nd  
Monday, April 21st  
Tuesday, May 25th  
Monday, June 21st  
Monday, September 20th  
Monday, October 20th  
Monday, November 22nd  
Monday, December 13th.

## OKOTOKS:

Tuesday, January 12th.  
Tuesday, April 12th.  
Wednesday, September 1st.  
Tuesday, November 2nd.

## HIGH RIVER:

Wednesday, January 13th.  
Wednesday, April 14th.  
Thursday, September 2nd.  
Wednesday, November 3rd.

## COCHRANE:

Tuesday, March 2nd.  
Tuesday, June 1st.  
Tuesday, September 28th.  
Wednesday, December 1st.

## BANFF:

Wednesday, March 3rd.  
Wednesday, June 2nd.  
Wednesday, September 29th.  
Thursday, December 2nd.

## IRVINE:

Monday, February 8th.  
Monday, May 10th.  
Tuesday, September 7th.  
Monday, November 8th.

## MEDICINE HAT:

Tuesday, February 9th.  
Tuesday, May 11th.  
Wednesday, September 8th.  
Tuesday, November 9th.

## OLDS:

Tuesday, March 16th.  
Tuesday, June 15th.  
Tuesday, September 14th.  
Tuesday, December 7th.

## DIDSBURY:

Wednesday, March 15th.  
Wednesday, June 16th.  
Wednesday, September 15th.  
Wednesday, December 8th.

## CARSTAIRS:

Thursday, March 18th.  
Thursday, June 17th.  
Thursday, September 16th.  
Thursday, December 9th.

## CROSSFIELD:

Friday, March 19th.  
Friday, June 18th.  
Friday, September 17th.  
Friday, December 10th.

## GLEICHEN:

Wednesday, January 20th.  
Wednesday, April 21st.  
Wednesday, October 13th.

## LANGDON:

Tuesday, January 19th.  
Tuesday, April 20th.  
Tuesday, October 12th.

## S. B. WOODS,

Deputy Attorney General.  
Dated October 16th, 1908.



## NOTICE

The Local Improvement  
Act, Village Act  
and School Assessment  
Ordinance

Notice is hereby given that under the provisions of The Local Improvement Act, Village Act and School Assessment Ordinance, 1908, the Honorable Mr. Justice Beck has appointed Tuesday, the 10th day of December, 1908, at 10 o'clock A.M., at the Court House in the city of Calgary for the holding of a Court for confirmation of the Returns made under the provisions of Section 91 of The Local Improvement Act in respect of the following Local Improvement Districts, viz:

Local Improvement Districts 12-B-4, 12-B-5, 9-T-4, 10-T-4, 15-T-4, 16-T-4, 17-T-4, 18-W-4, 12-W-4, 13-W-4, 14-W-4, 15-W-4, 16-W-4, 17-W-4, 12-B-5, 13-B-5, 14-B-5, 15-B-5, 16-B-5, 17-B-5, 18-B-5, 12-C-5, 13-C-5, 14-C-5, 15-C-5, 16-C-5, 17-C-5, 18-C-5, and Nos. 606, 607, 608, 609 and 610.

And of Section 67 of The Village Act in respect of the following Villages, viz:

The Village of Bowden, the Village of Cayley and the Village of Gleichen.

And of Section 19 of The School Assessment Ordinance in respect of the following School Districts, viz:

School Districts 85, 114, 230, 232, 329, 377, 403, 409, 422, 435, 476, 480, 481, 571, 581, 588, 610, 645, 648, 653, 697, 714, 718, 723, 725, 753, 761, 762, 773, 811, 812, 828, 852, 855, 907, 909, 948, 961, 966, 999, 1000, 1011, 1012, 1070, 1098, 1150, 1164, 1176, 1201, 1203, 1206, 1218, 1256, 1259, 1268, 1280, 1283, 1303, 1314, 1322, 1327, 1361, 1375, 1397, 1398, 1419, 1428, 1436, 1471, 1722, 1482, 1508, 1533, 1606.

Dated at Edmonton, this 8th day of October, A. D. 1908.

JOHN STOCKS,  
Deputy Minister of Public Works.

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